



SASKATOON BLADES GAME NOTES



GAME #19 — SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2021 @ 7:00 P.M. CT — INNOVATION CREDIT UNION I-PLEX

Swift Current Broncos (5-9-2-1 – 13pts)
4th – Central Division 8th – Eastern Conference
Streak – 0-2-0-0
PP – 14/79 (17.7% - 15th in WHL)
PK – 52/68 (76.5% - 17th in WHL)

Saskatoon Blades (11-6-1-0 – 23pts)
2nd – East Division 4th – Eastern Conference
Streak – 0-2-0-0
PP – 23/82 (28.1% - 3rd in WHL)
PK – 60/74 (81.1% - 9th in WHL)

Tonight... The Saskatoon Blades head into Swift Current to battle the Broncos for the second time this season, and first appearance at Innovation Credit Union i-plex since February 15th of 2020. The Blades are looking to rebound after dropping back-to-back contests to the CHL-leading Winnipeg ICE last weekend, the same team the Broncos fell to on Friday night by a 4-3 score. Saskatoon went 1-2 on its most recent three-game swing through Winnipeg last weekend, with the lone victory coming in Brandon by a 2-1 score on Friday, Nov. 12. Saskatoon is amidst a stretch of nine straight games away from home; this being the fourth stop as Curling Canada takes over SaskTel Centre for Canadian Olympic Curling Trials. This is the second of four meetings between the two squads. They'll reconvene for a home-and-home series on January 14th and 15th to wrap up their season series.

Tale of the Tape... Saskatoon edged Swift Current 4-3 in a shootout to open the season series on Nov. 3rd, courtesy of Brendan Lee's successful shootout attempt and Nolan Maier's stop on Cole Nagy. That contest also featured draft-eligible forward Brandon Lisowsky net the game-tying marker with just over a minute left after the Blades pulled Maier from the crease. Over the last five seasons, Saskatoon hasn't lost a single game to Swift Current in regulation, donning a lopsided 15-0-1-1 record, including an 8-0-0-0 clip *in* Swift Current. The last time Saskatoon lost on the road to the Broncos came Nov. 22, 2017 — a 5-4 setback via shootout.

Who to watch... Defenceman **Tanner Molendyk** is expected to return after missing the last seven games with an upper body injury. The 2020 1st round draft pick notched his first career goal on Oct. 9th vs. the Brandon Wheat Kings, and has also added three assists for four points in nine games this season. Draft-eligible forward **Brandon Lisowsky** sits third in team goals with nine on the season, and also netted the game-tying marker against Swift Current at the beginning of the month to force overtime. The Port Coquitlam, BC product is one of three players ranked by NHL Central Scouting, joining defenceman Charlie Wright and Pavel Bocharov. San Jose Sharks prospect **Tristen Robins** continues to lead the team in scoring with 28 points (11G-17A) in 17 games. The alternate captain is one back of Matthew Savoie and Mikey Milne for top spot in the WHL scoring race.

Saves for Hunger... This season, The Saskatoon Blades have partnered with Nutrien to launch the "Saves for Hunger" Campaign. For every save a Blades netminder makes this season, Nutrien is donating \$5 to a local organization. Blades goaltenders have made 509 saves so far, running the tally up to \$2545 raised as the team heads into Swift Current.



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Mini Shark... Alternate captain **Tristen Robins** is the only Blade drafted into the NHL, and enters his final season in the WHL with plenty of pro experience. The Clear Lake, MB product spent nearly two weeks with the San Jose Sharks ahead of the season and currently leads the league in scoring with 28 points. Robins leads the team in game winning goals this season, having notched Tuesday’s overtime winner against Edmonton, and Friday’s second goal in a 2-1 win in Brandon. He also scored the lone goal for the Blades Saturday against Winnipeg

Higher for Maier... Veteran goaltender **Nolan Maier** recorded his franchise record 100th career victory last Friday, stopping 46 shots in a 2-1 victory over the Brandon Wheat Kings to open the Blades nine-game stint on the road. The Yorkton, SK product eclipsed Tim Cheveldae’s franchise record of 85 victories last season, and continues to build on his own record, now reaching the triple digit figure — 20 back of the league record of 120.

Captain’s Quarters... Veteran defender and former 1st round selection **Aidan De La Gorgendiere** is filling the shoes left by graduating captain Chase Wouters this season. The Langley, BC native was given the “C” as captain ahead of opening weekend, and made his home captaincy debut on October 2nd. The 2002-born defender has two more years of WHL eligibility remaining and is coming off an impressive 12-point (2G-10A) campaign in 16 games.

INJURY REPORT

D RHETT RHINEHART — UBI (WEEK-TO-WEEK)

CURRENT STREAKS

N/A

ROSTER BREAKDOWN:

13 FORWARDS
8 DEFENCEMEN
2 GOALIES

AGE BREAKDOWN:

2001 — 3 2004 — 7
2002 — 4 2005 — 4
2003 — 5

MILESTONE TRACKER

KYLE CRNKOVIC (98 ASSISTS)



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TEAM LEADERS (21-22)

GOALS: ROBINS (11)

ASSISTS: ROBINS (17)

POINTS: ROBINS (28)

PENALTY MINUTES: ROBINS (26)

+/-: WIENS (4)

PPG: ROBINS (6)

SOG: CRNKOVIC (72)

GWG: ROBINS (3)

SHG: CRNKOVIC (3)

SV%: MAIER (.910)

GAA: MAIER (2.80)

ROOKIE POINTS: SIDOROV (13)

FACEOFF %: CRNKOVIC (54.4%)

HOW THEY WERE BUILT

ROUND	#	PLAYER (Overall - Year)
1 ST	4	LISOWSKY (9 th - 2019), CRNKOVIC (10 th - 2017), DE LA GORGENDIERE (5 th - 2017), MOLENDYK (5 th - 2020)
2 ND	4	SMITH (24 th - 2019), HANSEN (28 st - 2020), SCHNEIDER (30 th - 2018), CHADWICK (47 th - 2019)
3 RD	1	PARR (55 th - 2020)
4 TH	2	VOLOTOVSKII (77 th - 2020), WRIGHT (70 th - 2018)
5 TH	1	SAUNDERSON (89 th - 2019)
8 TH	2	WIENS (155 th - 2018), BOCHAROV (160 th - 2019)
9 TH	1	SHUGRUE (184 th - 2018)
11 TH	1	MAY (228 th - 2018)
EURO	2	SIDOROV (20 th - 2020), ELIAS (107 th - 2020)
LIST	1	PAULHUS
TRADE	4	ROBINS (REG), LEE (EVT), WONG (KEL), RHINEHART (PG)



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2021-22 TEAM RECORDS

<u>SITUATION</u>	<u>RECORD</u>
1-GOAL GAMES	4-1-1-0
2-GOAL GAMES	2-0-0-0
3-PLUS-GOAL GAMES	5-5-0-0
SCORING FIRST	8-2-1-0
OPP. SCORING FIRST	3-4-0-0
LEADING AFTER 2 PER.	9-0-0-0
TRAILING AFTER 2 PER.	2-4-0-0
TIED AFTER 2 PER.	0-2-1-0

OVERTIME RECORD	1-1
SHOOTOUT RECORD	1-0
OUT-SHOOTING OPP.	4-2-1-0
OUT-SHOT BY OPP.	7-4-0-0
SHOTS ARE EVEN	0-0-0-0
VS. BC	N/A
VS. US	N/A
VS. CENTRAL	4-1-0-0
VS. EAST	7-5-1-0

2019-20 TEAM RECORD BY MONTH

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>GAMES</u>	<u>RECORD</u>	<u>HOME</u>	<u>ROAD</u>
SEPTEMBER	3	1-2-0-0	0-2-0-0	1-0-0-0
OCTOBER	13	7-4-1-1	3-0-1-1	4-4-0-0
NOVEMBER	13	6-7-0-0	3-1-0-0	3-6-0-0
DECEMBER	6	3-2-0-1	2-2-0-1	1-0-0-0
JANUARY	13	8-4-1-0	5-3-0-0	3-1-1-0
FEBRUARY	11	6-4-0-1	3-2-0-1	3-2-0-0
MARCH	10	3-1-0-0	1-1-0-0	2-0-0-0
TOTALS	68	34-24-2-3	17-11-1-3	17-13-1-0



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PRONOUNCIATION GUIDE

2021-22 REGULAR SEASON

Number	Name	Pronunciation
2	Ben Saunderson	SAWN-dur-SUN
5	Aidan De La Gorgendiere	deh-lah gor-ZHAHN-dee-air
8	Brandon Lisowsky	liz-OW-skee
9	Jayden Wiens	WEENS
11	Tristen Robins	RAW-bins
13	Brendan Lee	LEE
16	Kyle Crnkovic	kern-KOH-vik
17	Misha Volotovskii	MEE-shah voh-loh-TOV-skee
19	Egor Sidorov	EE-gor SEE-dor-rawv
20	Tyler Parr	PARR
21	Hayden Smith	SMITH
24	Tanner Molendyk	MAW-len-DIKE
26	Spencer Shugrue	Shuh-GROO
27	Pasha Bocharov	PAH-shah BAW-chah-ROHV
28	Lukas Hansen	HAN-sehn
33	Ethan Chadwick	CHAD-wick
37	Josh Paulhus	PAWL-uhs
38	Trevor Wong	WONG
41	Rhett Rhinehart	REHT rine-HART
46	Moritz Elias	mor-REETS ehl-ee-AHSH
47	Charlie Wright	RITE
55	Marek Schneider	SHNY-der
73	Nolan Maier	MY-er